

## **AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

### **Listing of claims:**

1. – 4. **(canceled)**
5. **(previously presented)** An isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising a nucleic acid sequence encoding a polypeptide comprising the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:8.
6. – 8. **(canceled)**
9. **(previously presented)** An isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:7.
10. **(currently amended)** An isolated nucleic acid molecule ~~that hybridizes under stringent conditions to the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:7~~ comprising a nucleotide sequence encoding a polypeptide comprising an amino acid sequence having one or more conservative substitutions to SEQ ID NO: 8 or a complement of said nucleotide sequence.
11. **(canceled)**
12. **(previously presented)** A vector comprising the nucleic acid molecule of claim 5.
13. **(original)** The vector of claim 12, further comprising a promoter operably linked to said nucleic acid molecule.
14. **(previously presented)** An isolated host cell comprising the vector of claim 12.
15. – 29. **(canceled)**
30. **(previously presented)** A composition comprising the nucleic acid molecule of claim 5 and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

31. – 32.        **(canceled)**

33.    **(previously presented)**        A kit comprising in one or more containers, the composition of claim 30.

34. – 43.        **(canceled)**

44.    **(previously presented)**        An isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising nucleotides 38-1717 of SEQ ID NO:7.

45.    **(previously presented)**        A composition comprising the nucleic acid molecule of claim 44 and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

46.    **(previously presented)**        A kit comprising in one or more containers, the composition of claim 45.

47. – 52.        **(canceled)**